1 SAMUEL J. STEINER U.S. Bankruptcy Judge 2 315 Park Place Building 1200 Sixth Avenue 3 Seattle, WA 98101 4 (206) 553-1628 5 6 IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON, AT SEATTLE 7 8 In re BANKRUPTCY NO. 07-13059-SJS 9 MILA, INC., d/b/a Mortgage Investment Lending 10 Associates, ADVERSARY NO. 08-01211-SJS Debtor. 11 GEOFFREY GROSHONG, chapter 11 12 trustee for MILA, INC., 13 Plaintiff, vs. 14 LAYNE E. SAPP and the marital community composed of Layne E. 15 Sapp and Cari Sapp; NEXT ONLINE 16 MORTGAGE TECHNOLOGIES, INC., a Washington corporation; LIMA 17 SIERRA LLC, a Washington limited liability company; DESTINY 18 LEASING LLC, a Washington limited company; CRS FINANCIAL, LLC., a 19 Washington limited liability company; CRS FINANCIAL II, LLC, a 20 Washington limited liability company; and CRS FINANCIAL III, 21 LLC, a Washington limited MOTION TO WITHDRAW liability company; REFERENCE 22 Defendants 23 24 25 Comes now the undersigned Bankruptcy Judge of the above 26 entitled Court and moves that the District Court withdraw the

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reference of this proceeding for the purpose of conducting a jury trial, which the plaintiff has demanded.

Under current law, a Bankruptcy Court can try a jury case with the approval of the District Court and with the consent of the parties. The parties have not consented.

The undersigned has pretried this matter, and it is now ready for trial. Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9015-1(c)(2) a proposed pretrial order has been lodged and is attached.

For your information, there was a mediation conducted by Judge Rothstein which was not productive. It is my understanding that a second mediation is in the works to be conducted by Judge Newsome who is a Bankruptcy Judge in the Northern District of California.

DATED at Seattle, Washington, this 8th_day of March, 2010.

SAMUEL J. STEINER

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United States Bankruptcy Judge